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## **Executive Summary**

The Professional Development award was extended to me so that I could attend the Systematic Review workshop presented at the University of Pittsburgh in November 2011.

My goal for attending was to learn about the role of the librarian in conducting a systematic review including but not limited to: strategies for searching, places to search, what information needs to be recorded during the process, how to write the methods section, and how to manage the process.

Additionally, I was hoping to learn enough about conducting systematic reviews so that I could gauge the feasibility of offering these as part of our professional services at Miner Library.

It is apparent to me that all these goals were met by attending the workshop. It is also apparent to me that all of our librarians need good, solid initial training in the systematic review process as well as continuing professional education on this topic.

## **Minority Populations Served**

African Americans: No

American Indians/Alaska Natives: No

Asian Americans: No

Hispanics/Latinos: No

Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders: No

Other: No

## **Approaches and Interventions Used**

Attended the Systematic Review Workshop

## Evaluation Activities

n/a

## **Problems or Barriers Encountered**

n/a

## **Continuation Plans**

We will continue to work on systematic reviews & hope to offer this as a professional service of Miner Library

## **Impact**

Attendance at the Systematic Review workshop has allowed me to more fully understand what is involved in completing a systematic review and has given me the tools to successfully undertake such a project. Since attending the workshop, librarians in our library have been asked to complete reviews although, to date, none of them have been systematic reviews. The lessons learned in the workshop have helped us manage and complete those projects in an optimal way. I don't believe we could have done them as well as we did without the tools learned in the Systematic Review workshop. It is our goal to continue to train our librarians (hopefully, by sending each of them to the workshop) and then to include performing systematic reviews as one more professional service provided by our librarians.



## Lessons Learned

n/a

## Other

n/a

**Attachment 1: AR summary data: Subcontractor activities**